

Substitute for Form 1449/PTO <h2 style="margin: 0;">INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT</h2> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: small;">(use as many sheets as necessary)</p>					Complete if Known	
					Application Number	10/814,083
					Filing Date	March 30, 2004
					First Named Inventor:	Grant M. Kloster, et al.
					Art Unit	2823
					Examiner Name	Brewster, William M.
					Attorney Docket Number	42P16006D
Sheet	1	of		3		

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number		Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code ² (if known)				
WB		US-	6,319,837 B1	11/20/2001	Chittipeddi et al.	
WB		US-	6,555,477 B1	4/29/2003	Lu et al	
WB		US-	2003/0203668	10/30/2003	Cobbley et al.	
WB		US-	6,452,650	9/17/2002	Nakao et al.	
WB		US-	5,087,664	2/11/1992	Sugino et al.	
WB		US-	5,756,021	5/26/1998	Hedrick et al.	
WB		US-	2004/0256967	12/23/2004	Downing et al.	
WB		US-	2004/0137826	7/15/2004	Gagliardi	
WB		US-	2003/0215689	11/20/2003	Keegan	
WB		US-	2003/0082904	5/1/2003	Saka et al.	
WB		US-	6,168,737	1/2/2001	Poco et al.	
WB		US-	6,548,176	4/15/2003	Gwo	
WB		US-	2002/0015519	2/17/2002	Tokas et al.	
WB		US-	6,486,903	11/26/2002	Wagner et al.	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS								
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document			Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T*
		Country Code ³	Number ⁴	Kind Code ⁵ (if known)				

Examiner Signature	/William Brewster/	Date Considered	21 May 2006
--------------------	--------------------	-----------------	-------------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ²See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SENT FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS.
SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

Substitute for Form 1449/PTO <h2 style="text-align: center;">INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">(use as many sheets as necessary)</p>				OIPF MAR 03 2006 T & TRADEMARKS		Complete if Known	
Application Number		10/814,083					
Filing Date		March 30, 2004					
First Named Inventor:		Grant M. Kloster, et al.					
Art Unit		2823					
Examiner Name		Brewster, William M.					
Attorney Docket Number		42P16006D					
Sheet	2	of				3	
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number		Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	
		Number-Kind Code ² (if known)					
WB		US-	2003/0197941	10/23/2003	Ohgane		
WB		US-	5,756,021	5/26/1998	Hedrick et al.		
WB		US-	2002/0109228	8/15/2002	Buchwalter et al.		
WB		US-	2003/0148596	8/7/2003	Kellar et al.		
WB		US-	5,514,378	5/7/1996	Mikos et al.		
WB		US-	2002/0093104	7/18/2002	Goldmann et al.		
WB		US-	2002/0155661	10/24/2002	Massingill et al.		
WB		US-	2003/0140959	7/31/2003	Gaudiana et al.		
WB		US-	2003/0192584	10/16/2003	Beckenbaugh et al.		
WB		US-	5,821,621	10/13/1998	Jeng, Shin-Puu		
WB		US-	6,570,221	5/27/2003	Allman		
WB		US-	2004/0077075	4/22/2004	Jensen et al.		
WB		US-	2002/0134503	9/26/2002	Hussinger et al.		
WB		US-	5,726,805	3/10/1998	Kaushik et al.		
WB		US-	2002/0160139	10/31/2002	Huang et al.		
WB		US-	6,696,352	2/24/2004	Carr et al.		
WB		US-	6,403,382	6/11/2002	Zhu et al.		

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS								
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document			Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		Country Code ³	Number ⁴	Kind Code ⁵ (if known)				

Examiner Signature	/William Brewster/	Date Considered	21 May 2006
-----------------------	--------------------	-----------------	-------------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ²See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS.
 SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

Based on Form PTO/SB/08B (08-03) as modified by BLAKELY, SOKOLOFF, TAYLOR & ZAFMAN LLP on 09/10/03.

Substitute for Form 1449/PTO INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT <i>(use as many sheets as necessary)</i>				Complete if Known	
				Application Number	10/814,083
				Filing Date	March 30, 2004
				First Named Inventor:	Grant M. Kloster, et al.
				Art Unit	2823
				Examiner Name	Brewster, William M.
Sheet	3	of	3	Attorney Docket Number	42P16006D
NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published			T ²
WB		Stanley Wolf Ph.D. and Richard N. Tauber Ph.D. in Silicon Processing for the VLSI Era, vol. 1: Process Technology, Lattice Press, 1986, pp. 539-542.			
WB		Stanley Wolf Ph.D. and Richard N. Tauber Ph.D. in Silicon Processing for the VLSI Era, vol. 1: Process Technology, Lattice Press, 1986, pp. 430-441, 518-9.			

Examiner Signature	/William Brewster/	Date Considered	21 May 2006
--------------------	--------------------	-----------------	-------------

*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ²Applicant is to place a check mark here if English Translation is attached.
This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SENT FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.
If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.